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Ms. Marlene Dortch
Secretary, Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Room TW-B204
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of High-Cost Universal Service Support, WC Docket No. 05-337; In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I am writing this letter to the Commission to endorse the recommendation of the Joint Board on Universal Service to place an interim, emergency cap on the amount of high-cost universal service support that competitive eligible telecommunications carriers may receive.

I appreciate the leadership of Commissioner Tate and the other members of the Joint Board and Staff as they consider the difficult questions regarding universal service support.

This first step is the best way to begin a process to preserve universal service for the benefit of consumers in Nebraska, and specifically Nebraska Central Telephone Company (Company). The Company serves approximately 6,500 customers in an area covering 3,300 square miles and the funds help us provide the services the customers need to succeed in rural America. Without the leadership on the part of the Joint Board the benefits that universal service provides to my rural customers could be in serious jeopardy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'Andrew D. Jader'.

Andrew D. Jader
Vice President – Administration

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